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Around D-M Flu shots

Flu shots for active duty, retirees, dependents and Department of Defense civilians are available 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and Jan. 16-18 at the enlisted club. People must have their shot records to receive a flu vaccination.

Call 8-2714 for more information.

Blood drive

An emergency Red Cross blood drive is 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. today in Building 4859.

Donors will receive a free T-shirt.

Safety day briefings

Today is a 355th Wing safety down day.

A personal risk management safety briefing is mandatory for wing personnel ages 18-26 at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. today in the base theater.

The quarterly flying safety meeting is at 3 p.m. today in the base theater.

Days since last D-M DUI:

3



3 airmen were saved from a DUI by the Airmen Against Drunk Driving Program since Dec. 31.

Call AADD at 850-2233 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 4 p.m. to midnight Sundays for a ride.

(Current as of Thursday)



Staff Sgt. Karin Wickwire

Vigilant warriors

(From left) Staff Sgts. Daniel Bauer and Marvin Quick talk with "flightline infiltrator" Senior Master Sgt. Ray Blecker after detaining him during a flightline protection program exercise Dec. 29. The exercise was part of an Air Combat Command program to enhance flightline security by owner/user personnel. Bauer is a jet engine mechanic and Quick is a electrical environmental systems journeyman, both with the 354th Fighter Squadron. Blecker is the 355th Wing Inspector General superintendent.

WOC-Net offers increased command, control capabilities

By Staff Sgt. Karin Wickwire
Public affairs

Pushing the technology envelope once again, a Davis-Monthan programming team has developed a command and control system that gives warfighters near-real-time inputs critical to performing the mission.

The Wing Operations Center Network, a Briefing Room Interactive component, made its "very successful" wing debut "during a trial by fire" in December's Phase II Operational Readiness Exercise, according to Lt. Col. Stan Harmon, 355th Operations Support Squadron Chief of Information Technologies.

Originally, WOC-Net was developed to display alarm and threat conditions and mission oriented protective posture levels throughout the base via the Intranet. To meet the real-time requirements vital to the warfighting mission, the system was designed to update every six seconds, ensuring any computer monitoring WOC-Net had the most up-to-date information that was available, said



An example screen seen by users of the WOC-Net during the Phase II.

Ken Matesich, BAE Systems BRI programmer.

However, the program began to evolve quickly during the Phase II ORE, under the pressure of operating a new system, searching for potential "bugs" to work out, and keeping the warfighters as informed, and safe, as possible.

"An audio alert and numerous refinements were added to the program during the exercise. We updated the code and user functionality as they were using it live," Matesich added.

Some of the improvements made

after observing WOC-Net in use focused on the system itself: improved interface design and code refinements, and color and layout changes to make the WOC-Net control panel easier and faster to read and use, according to Sam Furrow, BAE Systems BRI graphic designer.

However, it was the other improvements that mattered most to the warfighters in terms of keeping them informed.

"We added direct links to various supporting Web pages, turning the WOC-Net into an effective hub of information that contained real-time updates," Furrow said. "When the WOC-Net transmitted that a new BSD (battle staff directive) was in effect, people had a direct link to that BSD, as well as links to weather, SPINS (special instructions), NBC (nuclear biological and chemical) training, and daily-updated public affairs sites."

One WOC-Net tool added that really paid off was the Sit-Map, or situational map, according to Harmon.

See WOC-Net Page 6

Commander's Corner



Col. Bobby Wilkes
355th Wing Commander

Commander's Salute

This week I salute **members of the Airman Against Drunk Driving program** for their efforts to keep Team D-M safe. Well Done!

Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a common goal we all share as members of Team D-M.

Ideas, suggestions, comments and kudos are an important ingredient for continuous improvement.

The fastest way to pass along comment or to get an answer to your concern is to contact the agency chief or functional manager listed here. Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is available 24 hours a day, at **228-4747**, or you can send an e-mail to us at:

355thWing.CommandersCorner@dm.af.mil.

If you leave your name, phone number and a message, you'll receive a prompt

reply, either in writing or by telephone. We will honor your confidentiality, but sometimes we need to contact callers to gather additional information. If your concern is of general interest to the base populace, the response may be published in the *Desert Airman*. Anonymous calls may not be published in the newspaper, we recommend you leave a contact phone number if you'd like us to provide an answer.

AAFES Agencies	748-7887
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Civil Engineering	8-3401
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Cell phone use and BDU blouse wear

Comment:

According to Air Force Instruction 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel*, Table 2-5, Item 11, it states that beepers and cellular phones "Will be clipped to waistband or purse or carried in left hand; prohibited unless required to perform duties." I understand this to mean that personal cellular telephones and beepers are not to be carried, therefore not to be used while in uniform. People in my unit have been instructed by senior NCO's that they can use their personal

cell phones while in private or sitting down. We have also been told by a new airman that a chief master sergeant gave similar guidance to airman at First Term Airmen's Center. Use in this manner is a flagrant violation of the AFI.

Members in my duty section would also like some clarification on the wear of the battle dress uniform shirt while in a privately-owned vehicle. It has become common practice for personnel to remove their BDU shirt prior to entry in their POV and don it upon exit.

Please provide some guidance on both issues.

Response:

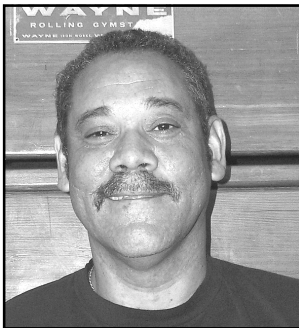
AFI 36-2903, Table 2-5, line 11, is very specific on how to carry a cellular phone or pager while in uniform and when these items can be used. Cell phones and pagers that have been issued by the unit commander may be attached to an individuals uniform or carried in the left hand. Those service members who have purchased personal cell phones and pagers may carry them in their left hand, but may not attach them to the uniform. There is no prohibition on service members from using personal cell phones or pagers while in uniform.

The second issue about the

wear of the BDU shirt can be addressed with AFI 36-2903, Table 2-2, line 7, Air Combat Command Supplement 1, Outdoor Work Area, which explains that the BDU shirt can be removed in the outdoor work area. The outdoor work area is defined as the "immediate area where the actual work is being performed." Service members who remove their BDU shirt when not in their immediate outdoor work area are out of uniform. Additional questions or comments on uniform wear can be addressed to the military personnel flight personal affairs office at 8-3664. Again, thank you for allowing us to set the record straight.

Your Final Answer?

What are your fitness goals for 2001?



Alvin Boudy
Retired Air Force

"Lose 25 pounds by cutting back on calories, increasing cardiovascular exercise and using light weights."



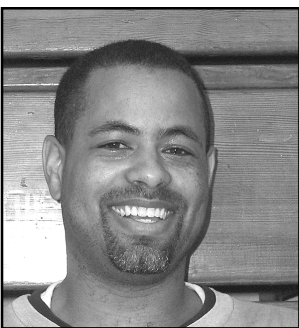
Airman Sean Winfrey
355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron

"Stay fit and get healthier by working out and playing basketball."



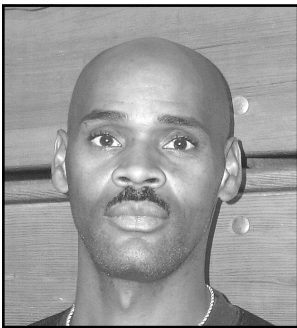
Senior Airman Magdalena Mihalache
355th Medical Group Health and Wellness Center

"Prepare for the Rock-N-Roll Marathon in San Diego this year."



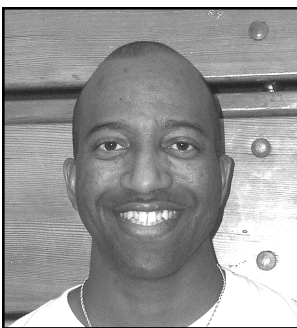
Kevin Smith
Husband of Senior Master Sgt. Gretchen Smith
162nd Fighter Wing (ANG)

"Lose a couple of inches in my mid-section by doing crunches and playing basketball."



Tech. Sgt. Joseph Jackson
355th Communications Squadron

"Stay in the gym and add 10 pounds of mass to my frame. Decrease body weight to four percent of body fat."



Captain Sherad Dorrah
42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron

"Increase cardiovascular workout, play more basketball and bike riding."

Civil engineers compete for 'Best in AF' title

By Capt. James Downs
355th Civil Engineer Squadron

The 355th Civil Engineer Squadron is one of three finalists competing for "Best in Air Force" honors. An Air Force inspection team will visit Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Monday to evaluate the civil engineers and compare them against the other two finalists, 92nd CES, Fairchild AFB, Wash., and 8th CES, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea.

The winner will receive the Maj. Gen. Robert H. Curtin Award, for the Air Force's best civil engineer squadron, in February at the Air Force Civil Engineer Awards Banquet at Bolling AFB, D.C.

"We're excited and honored to be one of the three finalists for the Air Force Curtin Award," said Lt. Col. Theresa Carter, 355th CES commander. "The squadron is filled with incredibly talented airmen, NCOs, civilians and junior officers – it's their talent and energy that have brought us to this point. We look forward to showing the evaluation team all of the phenomenal things these men and women have accomplished this

past year and why when it comes to civil engineer squadrons, no one comes close to the 355th CES."

"D-M's engineers truly do lead the way, both at deployed locations and home," Carter added. During fiscal year 2000, the squadron deployed 190 engineers to 12 worldwide locations. Overall, this totaled 8,048 mandays deployed in support of five different operations and exercises to include places such as Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.

While 355th CES members did spend a lot of time deployed overseas, it was also their actions at D-M and stateside which earned the unit the opportunity to compete for the Curtin award.

□ The fire protection flight responded to almost 2,000 emergencies during 2000. They were ready to respond to these situations thanks to the outstanding training provided by Air Combat Command's first Mobile Multi-Unit Trainer, according to David Grantham, base fire chief.

"Because of this trainer, we're able to provide our firefighters with realistic training scenarios that translate classroom instruction into fast-paced, adrenaline-pumping action. It's a tremendous asset for our training program," Grantham said.

□ D-M's explosive ordnance disposal flight supported 31 hazardous explosive responses. An additional five responses were worked in the local area with close coordination of Tucson's Hazardous Devices Unit. EOD flight members also deployed 2,000 days in support of the secret service, Aerospace Expeditionary Force's 5 and 9, range clearances and major exercises.

□ The environmental flight works diligently to protect the base's environment and to ensure environmental compliance for one of the largest mili-



2nd Lt. Tyler Nielsen

Airman 1st Class Brian Rosburg, pavements and equipment journeyman, operates the grader to prepare a parking lot for new asphalt.

tary installations in ACC. "The recycling program is a huge success. Davis-Monthan recycles 3,200 tons a year, exceeding the ACC goal by 80 percent," said John Thompson, environmental flight chief.

□ The engineering flight sees the majority of the money going through the 355th CES. Currently, the flight is programming, designing and constructing more than \$71 million in construction. This includes military construction, Defense Energy Supply Center, airfield and operations and maintenance projects. Two projects received Air Force level design awards: the dormitory area development plan and the new fitness center. The new gym is scheduled to begin in February with the new dorm following in 2002.

□ One of the squadron's biggest success stories is its in-house work program, specifically roofing and paving. "This year alone, our roofing crew replaced the roofs on six facilities, equating to nearly 50,000 square feet, and this doesn't even count the many other repairs they

did," said Mike Toriello, the deputy base civil engineer. These roof replacements saved the government \$100,000 versus doing the same work by contract.

Under the in-house paving program, the squadron repaired 98,000 square feet of failed pavement and saved \$30,000 over contract cost.

"We're very fortunate here at D-M to have the equipment we need to do projects that other civil engineer squadrons contract out," Toriello added.

□ The housing flight, the best housing flight in the Air Force for 2000 and ACC's best in 1999 and 2000 – oversaw the installation of dorm furniture and carpet in 293 rooms in only 42 days. "This was an enormous coordinated effort that brought tremendous quality-of-life improvements to the dorm residents," said Roger Johnston, the base's housing manager.

The evaluation team will inspect the squadron Monday before going on to Fairchild AFB and then Kunsan AB to judge the competitors.



2nd Lt. Tyler Nielsen

(From Left) Eddie Jackson and Vincent Torres, roofing craftsmen, lay new roofing materials on Building 3200, the 355th Support Group building.

Advertising



Senior Airman Amy McBeth

New Raptors commander

First Lt. Shawn Sharitt, EC-130E pilot (left), reviews the flight board with Lt. Col. Norman Potter, 42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron commander. Potter assumed command of the 42nd ACCS Dec. 19.

Ten receive Articles 15

The following airmen received punishments in November for their actions:

An airman received a reduction to airman basic for failure to go, a violation of Article 86 of the uniform code of military justice.

An airman first class received a suspended reduction to airman, 15 days restriction and 15 days extra duty for underag drinking, a violation of Article 92 of the UCMJ.

An airman first class received a suspended reduction to airman, 15 days restriction and 15 days extra duty for failure to go, a violation of Article 86 of the UCMJ.

An airman first class received a reduction to airman and 30 days extra duty for driving while intoxicated, a violation of Article 111 of the UCMJ.

An airman first class received a suspended reduction to airman, 45 days extra duty and a reprimand for failure to go, a violation of Article 86 of the UCMJ.

An airman first class received a suspended reduction to airman for underage drinking, a violation of

Article 92 of the UCMJ.

A senior airman received a suspended reduction to airman first class, forfeiture of \$200 for two months and 20 days extra duty for downloading pornography onto a government computer, a violation of Article 92 of the UCMJ.

An airman first class received a suspended reduction to airman and 15 days extra duty for failure to obey an order, a violation of Article 92 of the UCMJ.

An airman first class received a reduction to airman, forfeiture of \$100 for two months and 20 days extra duty for larceny, a violation of Article 121 of the UCMJ.

An airman basic received 30 days restriction and 30 days extra duty for underage drinking, a violation of Article 92 of the UCMJ.

The same offense can result in different punishments for each member. The offender's commander must consider several factors while determining punishment such as the offender's service record, previous incidents and the seriousness of the offense.



Advertising

Computer viruses becoming more common

Increased number of people, systems using networks means additional vigilance for users

By Tech. Sgt. Troy Pasch
355th Communications Squadron

Computer viruses are not a big problem at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, but they are an annoyance with potential to cause irreparable damage.

In just the first half of December, there were more than 4,000 virus-infected e-mails received by the base mail servers. The majority of those are LoveLetter variants coming from other military bases.

Unfortunately, mail servers don't catch them all. It's up to the recipient to scan the message or just delete it if they don't know who the sender is.

A virus is simply a computer code that infects other files, application or the computers' memory to enable the virus to spread itself to other systems. Sometimes the virus may only be annoying, for instance, the computer would beep every time a key was pushed, or be malicious and format the hard drive.

Viruses are spread several ways. Older viruses spread from computer

to computer via floppy disks or infected files downloaded from bulletin boards and usually only .exe or .com file types. Once an infected floppy is put in another computer and accessed, that computer becomes infected. However, if the floppy is write-protected, it will not become infected.

Today, with more and more people and computers sharing information at work and at home using networks, viruses have evolved. They are now able to take advantage of the greater mobility networks provide and software functionality.

In 1986, there was only one known computer virus, but now ten to fifteen new viruses are created every day. According to the International Computer Security Association, viruses from e-mails alone account for more than 50 percent of all infections and that percentage is growing. The LoveLetter and its predecessor, the Melissa virus, showed how fast and far viruses could spread.

Earlier this year, when within days Government and corporate mail servers were forced to shut down because of the numbers of infected messages.

Viruses, or malicious logic, — Trojan horse, worm, boot sector, macro, multipartite and polymorphic — come in several varieties that infect computers and have now even started infecting personal digital assistants and cell phones.

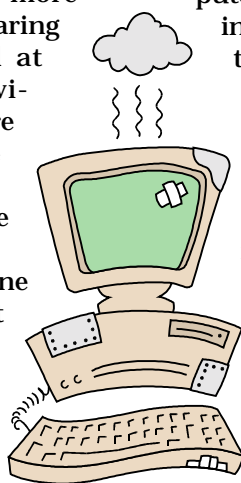
There are several Trojan viruses that will infect the popular Palm Pilots and can even spread to other devices using infrared data transfers. Companies are developing new software versions that will provide greater functionality to their phones and PDAs like web enhancements. The greater functionality of these systems increases the potential for viruses to be written for those devices.

Several recent articles have estimated the cost attributed to viruses to be in the millions, and even billions, of dollars. According to an *In-*

formation Week article, a worldwide estimate of \$1.6 trillion was lost last year because of hackers and viruses. Even the threat of a virus creates problems and financial losses because of people sending and re-sending emails that are virus hoaxes.

Every computer user has the responsibility to prevent the spread of viruses. The easiest and most important way to prevent the spread of viruses is to keep the computer's anti-virus software updated. The best way to keep from getting infected and spreading a virus is to scan everything, especially email attachments.

Norton and McAfee anti-virus software are free for military and government civilians to load on their home computers to help prevent infections from taking work home. Anyone interested in taking advantage of this opportunity should contact a workgroup manager for the best method available to the individual. People who discover a virus should report it to their workgroup manager or complete a virus reporting form. Forms are available at <https://intranet/virusman/virusreport.htm>.



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Below-the-zone selectees

Twenty-seven airmen first class were selected for promotion to senior airman during the December Below-the-Zone Promotion Board. The following airmen will be promoted six months ahead of their peers:

Joshua Allison, 355th Civil Engineer Squadron; Rafael Alvarez, 355th Wing; Steven Brunson and Natasha Whitfield, 355th Security Forces Squadron; Timothy Burke, 42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron; Raymond Carpenter and Janice Wheeler, 355th Supply Squadron; Brandon Clark and William Ford Jr., 357th Fighter Squadron; Daniel Cwiak, 355th Operations Support Squadron; Felissa Dayish, Scott Grubaugh and Kathryn Rehkopf, 43rd Electronic Combat Squadron; Alvin DeJesus, 41st Electronic Combat Squadron; Henry Gonzalez, Ryan McHale and Ronald Rouse, 355th Component Repair Squadron; George Hailey, Daniel Singh and Roseann Ynesta, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; Heather Harris, 612th Combat Operations Squadron; Jeffrey Hicks Jr. and Aaron Hulse, 358th Fighter Squadron; Carlesha King, 355th Transportation Squadron; Tiffany Pasker, 355th Mission Support Squadron; Shane Perez, 612th Air Communications Squadron; and Michael Ragains and Nathan Searle, 354th Fighter Squadron.



Senior Airman Amy McBeth

Colorado senator visits Team D-M

Col. Lawrence Stutzriem (left), 355th Wing vice commander, and Col. Daryl Hausmann (right), 355th Operations Group commander, answer a question about the A-10s GAU-8 30mm cannon from Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, (center) Colorado senator, during his visit to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Dec. 29. Campbell and his entourage arrived at D-M during a road trip on Harley Davidson motorcycles, the senator's preferred mode of transportation.

WOC-Net

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Sit-Map was used to mark confirmed unexploded ordnance, craters and chemical or biological contaminated areas on the base.

"This near-real-time information can be critical to anyone who would have to negotiate these obstacles to accomplish the mission as quickly and safely as possible," Harmon said.

Air Force "decision dominance" over potential enemies was boosted at every echelon of command. WOC-Net's "great command and control capability, gave the ability to pass instantaneous and continuous status updates to all wing organizations," said Col. Bobby Wilkes, 355th Wing commander. "This was only possible through BRI."

"Because of the improved accuracy, timeliness and depth of information, WOC-Net represents a quantum leap in the ability to provide command and control at the tactical and wing levels," said Lt. Col. Guy Walsh, 355th

Operations Group deputy commander for A-10s.

Lt. Col. John Sokolsky, 355th Operations Support Squadron commander, shares Walsh's opinion.

"The WOC-Net was the most significant wing-level command and control innovation since the creation of the field phone," Sokolsky said. "As a mission director, I was able to notify every operations center of our ability to survive and operate status within 10 seconds of the senior leadership's decision."

In past exercises, it would take anywhere from 30 minutes to two hours to get that same information to the numerous workcenters throughout the wing, Walsh said.

"Now, anyone with D-M Intranet access has instant situational awareness of the current MOPP, ThreatCon and alarm conditions. In addition, the text block allows us to pass ungarbled information directly to every leadership level, accelerat-

ing the pace problems are resolved," Sokolsky said.

That direct information transfer to leaders, allowing them to solve problems more quickly, was one increased command and control benefit offered by WOC-Net. A second C2 aspect surfaced when freedom gained from the previously time-consuming notification task meant Sokolsky, as the mission director, could direct more of his attention to the "air war" and aircraft departure and arrival strategy than he had in the past.

Even though WOC-Net performed better than originally advertised, it's very important to note that it was designed as a technology demonstrator and test bed - it is not a completed project, Furrow stressed. "We had an excellent chance to work directly with the users of a new product during that product's creation. With further development the potential of the WOC-Net, and related software and techniques, is great."

Advertising

By Senior Master Sgt. Lionel McFarlane
355th Wing Career Assistance Advisor

Looking back over the history of our nation, many people often say the World War II generation is the greatest generation of the last century. This thought alone lead me to search for the reason that this statement has been made and has stood the test of time. Well, it shouldn't have been any surprise, but I found my answer grounded in our Air Force core values, more specifically, service before self.

But what does service before self mean? Service before self is the foundation of our Air Force core values. Service can be defined as employing duties or working for another person, according to Webster's Dictionary. It's fair then to say, service before self means working for another before working for yourself.

In President John F. Kennedy's 1961 Inaugural Address, he challenged Americans, by saying, "Ask not what your country can do for you — ask what you can do for your country." I don't believe this is a trite or hollow statement.

Let's apply Kennedy's statement to our act of serving in the military. If you were called upon to fulfill your enlistment oath, would you make the ultimate sacrifice? Or, would you try to weasel your way out of it? Would you call a buddy at the Headquarters or the Pentagon? Or, find a way to escape, to Canada?

If you truly believe in American principles and all that the United States stands for, you should be willing to give your life for her defense. That's service before self!

Most of us think we know what service before self means. You may think staying at work late and sacrificing your time is putting service before self. But, is it? It depends on

Service Before Self

*Core value more than
just a statement, being
patriotic or risking
your life*

your motivation. Is your motivation centered on long hours of work to improve the Air Force or is it on your own personal career?

Let's talk about service before self, sacrifice, and risking your life for the good of many. One of our nation's founding fathers, Patrick Henry said, "Give me liberty, or give me death." When Henry made this statement, the society he lived in was at risk of surviving for the democratic, free nation we know today. The risk in making this statement shows how selfless Henry was to advance our democracy. Great Britain was the most powerful country on earth and a seditious statement like this was punishable by death. Would you do this for what you believe in?

Some serious soul searching may be in order. Our founding fathers not only risked their lives, personal wealth and status, they

risked their families lives for what they felt was right. That's service before self!

No matter how you stack it up, the essence of service before self is expressed best by, now retired Gen. Ronald Fogleman in an edition of *Airpower Journal*. "Upon entering the Air Force, we accept a sacred trust from the American people. We swear to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic. We thereby commit our lives in defense of America and her citizens should that become necessary. No other profession expects its members to lay down their lives for their friends, families or freedoms."

It's fair to say that a large percentage of people in the military are here by choice. We sacrifice personal ambitions, family stability, financial incentives and a host of other tangible and intangible rewards for the defense of our country. We believe in our heritage and culture, but most of all, we believe in the democratic principles of freedom and liberty for all. This is service before self.

In service before self we hold a moral and physical responsibility to face difficulty, danger and pain when we stand up for our beliefs, even if these beliefs are unpopular or contrary to others. It's willingness to do what's right in spite of personal risks. Moral and physical courage is absolutely essential to service before self.

So, the next time you're faced with making the tough decisions, take a stand. Service before self is not just a statement. It's not just being patriotic. It's not just risking your life. It's believing in our democratic principles and having the courage and conviction to put those principles above your own welfare.

Welcome to Davis-Monthan

Maj. Gen. E. Gordon Stump, The Adjutant General, Michigan National Guard

Brig. Gen. Ronald Seely, Assistant Adjutant General for Air, Michigan Air National Guard

Brig. Gen. Thomas Edmonds, Michigan ANG Chief of Staff

Brig. Gen. Thomas Cutler, 127th Wing Commander, Michigan ANG

Michigan ANG Conference Attendees

Air Force Civil Engineer Curtin Evaluation Team

355th Wing Flying Goals

Hours

41st

42nd

43rd

Sorties

354th

357th

358th

ECS

ACCS

ECS

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Goal

249

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Current as of Wednesday

Where are 355th Wing members serving?

This time last year, 79 members of the 355th Wing were deployed.

Europe:

Central America:

South America:

Southwest Asia:

AEF 9 - 1

AEF 1 - 76

Deployed (by group):

355 OG - 3

355 LG - 40

355 SPTG - 54

Total: 97

Source:

355th Mission Support Squadron

Personnel Readiness Unit

Other locations -- 0

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*Airman
suggests
remember
sacrifices, take
time to pray for
those away
from home*

By Senior Airman Todd Raymond
355th Supply Squadron

I guess I have been feeling patriotic lately.

Sometimes, when I am out at J-3 and watch the A-10s taking off, I feel a great sense of pride in the job that I do here.

I think people lose sight of the reason we are all here.

Day to day stresses don't help things either, but I try to stay focused on the mission.

I knew from the time that I was in 9th grade that I wanted to be in the Air Force.

I didn't join for selfish reasons. I joined knowing full well what was going to be expected of me.

Granted, I might not agree with decisions that are made by higher-ups, but I did take an oath swearing to defend the orders of those appointed over me.

Just like my marriage vows, I take the oath of enlistment very serious.

This is not just a job to me. It is an opportunity to defend my country and my

way of life.

I think of the men and women who have come before us and help lay the foundation for us. I think of the sacrifices they must have made so that we can enjoy the freedom that we have now.

We think we make sacrifices now when we have to work an hour or two longer to cover a shift.

How many of us can say we've sent a son or daughter off to war and not have them come back.

That son or daughter sacrificed more than I could ever do.

And now I think of everyone overseas and the sacrifices they are making.

No one wants to be apart from their family, but I would if my country needed me to.

My wife knows this and wouldn't expect anything less from me.

Take some time and say a prayer for our members who can't be home and for the families who have someone who won't be coming home because of the pride and commitment to our country.

Advertising

Allergy, immunization process changes

As of Monday, individual 355th Medical Group panels (Silver, Blue, Copper, Aerospace Medicine, etc.) are providing immunizations to their enrollees by appointment.

Immunizations are no longer available at the current location, or on a walk-in basis.

This new decentralized process is a result of customer feedback and is designed to improve customer service by providing one-stop shopping.

The benefits of this process are:

- ◆ Minimize customer waiting times
- ◆ Eliminate another stop and delay after a doctor's appointment
- ◆ Medical records will be available at the panel when a customer arrives
- ◆ Enable your health care team to keep track of your immunization needs
- ◆ Provide enough sufficiently

trained staff to meet the demand

When you have an appointment with your primary care provider, bring your shot records to be reviewed by a team member. If you need an immunization and have been medically cleared by your provider, you will be given the shot at that time instead of having to return or go to another area. If you don't need a medical appointment but need immunizations for mobility, PCS, school, a trip outside the

United States, or any other reason, call the central appointment desk at 8-2726 or call your panel and ask for an immunization appointment. A team member will be available to meet your needs. All other beneficiaries can make an appointment for immunizations in any panel.

Allergy shots are available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 2-4 p.m. on a walk-in basis in the allergy clinic. *(Courtesy of the 355th Medical Group)*

Cold facts ... when should you seek professional advice?

High fever – if your temperature rises above 101 degrees, or if you have a fever higher than 100 degrees for more than three days.

Unusual discharge – if discharge from your nose or throat is rusty, greenish-yellow and has a distinct odor.

Duration – if your symptoms last longer

than 14 days.

Extreme discomfort – if you have intense chest pain or shortness of breath.

Significant pain – in one or both ears.

Sore throat – for more than three days.

Chronic respiratory problems – (i.e. asthma, emphysema) ... seek medical care after two to three days if symptoms worsen.

Advertising

View from the top

Troops link retention to pay, education, family time

By Gerry Gilmore

American Forces Press Service

Pay is still important to service members, but troops also consider educational opportunities and a desire for more family time in their deliberations whether to stay in the military.

Navy Vice Adm. Patricia Tracey, deputy assistant secretary of defense for military personnel policy, noted military pay remains an important retention factor, especially in today's all-volunteer force, which includes growing numbers of service members with families.

Not to make money

"People don't come here to make money ... there is something else that motivates people to serve," Tracey said during a Dec. 7 Pentagon interview. "But, it is [also] a married force." Military parents, like any others, want their children to have better opportunities than they had, she added. Officials note that surveys show that service members with 10 years of service usually stay for a career. These older service members are often married with children.

"Because we don't control how much we pay — we have to convince Congress and others that we need pay raises — it is easy to get behind on a pay table and not keep pace with what is happening in the private sector," she said.

Tracey said service members got a 3.7 percent across-the-board pay hike effective Jan. 1 and targeted pay increases for members in E-5, E-6, and E-7 pay grades in July. She added that across-the-board raises scheduled for the next five years should also improve servicemember compensation.

"The pay raise this January and raises for each subsequent January up through 2005 are going to be [set] at a half-percent above the employment cost index, which should be above the inflation rate," Tracey said. "It should be a 'catch-up' kind of a raise."

Tracey said the July 1 raises for NCOs in pay grades E-5 to E-7 with eight to 24 years of service will increase their pay \$30 to \$60 a month. This is a start, she re-

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Deputy Asst SecDef, Military Personnel Policy



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marked, noting personnel officials are concerned that more needs to be done.

"It is a part of the pay scale that flattens out — a place where retention is the most volatile and where we need to pay some specific attention," she said. The Quadrennial Review of Military Compensation will address this issue.

Senior DoD officials are taking other measures to retain qualified service members, who, Tracey said, are becoming more interested in continuing education programs and spending more time with their families.

"The Center for Naval Analysis did a study a couple of years ago in which it was confirmed that in-service, off-duty education was linked to higher retention rates," she said.

Very high-quality force

Secondly, Tracey said, DoD has recruited "a very, very high-quality force" at a time when more high school seniors are enrolling in college. Service member desire for higher education "is a natural part of the caliber of the people that we are recruiting," she added.

All the services are investing in increased educational and vocational training opportunities to satisfy service members' hunger for knowledge and college diplomas, Tracey said. The Army recently unveiled an initiative that harnesses information technology to offer online classes for soldiers. The Navy has formed partnerships with 16 colleges to offer distance learning degrees to sailors and Marines. The Air Force is working on a Federal Aviation Administration certification

program for its aviation mechanics.

These education and training programs, Tracey remarked, are good for soldiers, Sailors, Marines, airmen — and the services they represent.

"It is in our interests to keep a continuing education opportunity in front of our people, to keep them investing in themselves, because they gain cognitive skills that are important to us in a smaller force. That force is very busy, and doing a much wider variety of things than originally envisioned," she said.

Since its inception in 1973, the all-volunteer military has increasingly become a married force. About 48 percent of the Marine Corps are married, a historic high, Tracey noted. This has not only caused DoD to commit more resources to improve housing for both married and single service members, but to find ways to allow often-deployed troops to have more time with their families.

Data and surveys suggest that people who are deployed "are among the highest-retained people that we have," Tracey said. However, "there is a limit to how often you can ask people to go and for how long," she added, noting that other surveys show retention declines with succeeding deployments, especially when they occur with little warning, or "back-to-back."

Nothing negative

"Sailors, soldiers, airmen and Marines like to do what they were trained to do. There is nothing inherently negative about being deployed," Tracey said. "But unexpected deployments, deployments that last an indefinite length of

time, and deployments that come too close together are the biggest retention issues."

In the last decade, every service has worked at building predictability into deployments to enable service members to spend more time at home, she said.

"The Navy and Marine Corps, because they are (shipboard) deploying forces, have always had those kinds of systems," Tracey said. "The Army and Air Force are new to this and have done a pretty good job of getting rotational systems in place."

Tracey noted Congress has passed legislation requiring DoD to monitor and measure the time each service member spends away from home on deployments and training exercises. Guidelines call for a flag officer in a service member's chain of command to be made aware of deployments of 180 days or more out of a year. A three-star or higher has to approve deployments of more than 220 days out of a year. People deployed for 400 days in a 24-month period would be paid "high-deployment-per-diem" of \$100 per day.

"We had been measuring the time spent on deployments and training in the aggregate by unit, but not by individual except in the Air Force," she said. "Now, every service has to measure it by individuals." DoD began collecting these data in October, Tracey said.

The object is to manage people's time so they don't break the time limits, not to avoid paying them \$100 a day, she said. She estimated DoD will have enough time and data sometime in 2002 to know whether anyone crossed the deployment threshold.

Tracey reiterated that career military people often serve for reasons other than pay, yet compensation continues to be a retention factor in both good and bad economic times.

"Retention is not driven purely by when the economy is hot and when it is not," Tracey said. "It is a matter of needing to get the pay about right. Pay is not what really motivates people to stay, but on the other hand, you have to get pay right or people will leave because they can't afford to stay."

Korean War remembered —



*(Editor's note:
As America recog-
nizes its veterans
(during the next
two years) to
commemorate the
50th anniversary of
the Korean War,
the Desert Airman*

is running significant events.) This week in 1951, the following significant Air Force events occurred:

Early in January, the powerful new offensive by Chinese Communist and North Korean forces drove United Nations forces out of Seoul and nearby Kimpo and Suwon Airfields. The UN and communist ground forces fought a see-saw battle for the crossroads city of Wonju in north central South Korea. By mid-January, the enemy offensive had stalled on a line between Pyontaek on the west coast and Samchok on the east coast, partly because the UN Command retained air superiority over the front. By the end of the month, UN forces had launched a counter-offensive, forcing the enemy northward toward Seoul.

With the loss of Kimpo and Suwon Airfields,

the Air Force moved most jet fighters to bases in Japan. From there, Air Force F-86s did not have the range to reach the front easily, much less the MiG-infested skies of northwestern Korea.

After almost two weeks out of combat, the 5th Air Force returned some Sabres to Korea to test their capabilities in new missions of armed reconnaissance and close air support. These flew air to ground missions from Taegu, where F-80s and F-84s also continued to operate. communist jet fighters remained at their Yalu River bases and for the first nineteen days of January only occasionally challenged U.S. aircraft over North Korea.

Lacking the range and air-to-ground weapons, enemy jets did not provide any air support for Communist ground troops. Despite severe winter weather that sometimes curtailed sorties during January, 5th Air Force conducted extremely destructive close air support missions for UN forces, killing or wounding an estimated 18,750 enemy troops. C-47s embarked on new roles-dropping flares in support of B-26 and F-82 night raids and serving as communications platforms to connect the Tactical Air Control Center, TACPs, and T-6 Mosquito airplanes.

Far East Air Forces Bomber Command raided enemy marshalling yards, airfields, and supply centers, dropping more than 6,700 tons of bombs on over 720 sorties. B-29 Superfortress crews occasionally struck bridges with radio-guided bombs but largely avoided northwestern Korea, where they might have encountered scores of MiG-15s. In an air campaign intended to burn

and destroy key North Korean cities, Bomber Command B-29s raided Pyongyang, the North Korean capital, with huge formations dropping incendiary bombs on the city. Targets of other major incendiary raids in North Korea included Hamhung, Kaesong, and Komusan. By the end of the month, FEAF Bomber Command, with a total force of about one hundred B-29s, was launching about twenty-four Superfortresses daily, rotating missions among the 19th, 98th, and 307th Bombardment Groups. The command also initiated B-29 night harassment attacks against North Korean cities during January.

Deprived of bases in the Seoul area, FEAF Combat Cargo Command could not easily respond to increased UN demands for airlift caused by rapid unit withdrawals and blocking of surface supply lines by heavy snow. Near the front lines, Eighth Army engineers bulldozed airstrips at Wonju and Chungju for the cargo landings, but Wonju fell into enemy hands, and frozen mud caused C-46 accidents at Chungju.

The C-119s, which were too large to land at these airstrips, dropped supplies to UN forces in north central South Korea. Depending primarily on C-47 and C-119 airplanes, Combat Cargo Command delivered more than 14,000 tons of equipment and supplies; it also evacuated 10,000 combat casualties in South Korea during the first three weeks of January. Search and rescue units flew 452 missions, evacuating 112 critically wounded patients and rescuing 16 soldiers from behind enemy lines. The 5th Air Force's Boat Section conducted 42 missions.

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Scoreboard

Bowling Intramural - American

Team	W-L
MDG #2	70-34
42 ACCS #2	68-36
41 ECS #2	58-46
CONS	58-46
42 ACCS #1	56-48
41 ECS #1	54-50
MDG #1	54-50
355 OSS	42-62
43 ECS	24-80
High Scratch Game (Team):	
41 ECS #1, 904	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
41 ECS #1, 2518	
High Scratch Game (Men):	
Carl Miller, 264	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
Carl Miller, 615	
High Scratch Game	
(Women): Sondra Calley, 222	
High Scratch Series	
(Women): Sondra Calley, 651	

Intramural - National

Team	W-L
SVS	65-39
12 AF #1	65-39
AMMO	64-40
AMARC	62-42
12 AF #3	54-50
MSS	52-52
TRANS	52-52
CRS	46-58
SUPS	44-60
25 OWS #1	44-60
COMM	40-64
358th	36-68
High Scratch Game (Team):	
SVS, 996	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
SVS, 2844	
High Scratch Game (Men):	
George Sansone, 269	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
George Sansone, 671	
High Scratch Game	
(Women): Samantha Carlson, 184	
High Scratch Series	
(Women): Pam Boggs, 472	

Tuesday Early Risers

Team	W-L
Hit & Miss	68-44

OUI 3	63-49
The Monarchs	60-52
Ally Kats	58-54
Wee Bee Bad	55-57
Hot Cats	51-61
Dream Catchers	51-61
Soon's Runway	42-70
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Hit & Miss, 515	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
Hit & Miss, 1435	
High Scratch Game: Arlene	
Cook, 187	
High Scratch Series: Arlene	
Cook, 495	

Phantom Mixed

Team	W-L
Strike Force	62-34
So So's	60-36
The Cajuns	58-38
Lucky Seven	57-39
Strikebusters	56-40
The Dizzy Four	54-42
Alley Oops	50-46
Six Pack	45-51
Avengers	38-58
Sweet Revenge	36-60
Rat Pack	34-62

OWC

Team	W-L
Lady Flyers	74-22
Coyotes	62-34
The Eastsiders	54-42
Splitsters	52-44
KIDDS	46-50
Snuffers	46-50
Alley Cats	42-54
High Scratch Game: Marlene	
Flyer, 179	
High Scratch Series: Marlene	
Flyer, 472	

D-M Pinrollers

Team	W-L
Uh Huh Girls	68-28
Dreamers	59-37
Team 5	56-40
Team 6	53-43
The Dream Catchers	48-48
Annie's Girls	45-51
L-A-D-Y	44-52
Kachina Dolls	37-59
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Team 6, 691	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
Team 6, 1911	
High Scratch Game: Fran	
Baird, 221	
High Scratch Series: Fran	
Baird, 583	

CE Mixed

Team	W-L
Just-4-Fun	52-20
Good, Bad & Ugly	52-28
The Cans	50-30
Fire Dawgs	50-30
BJ's Bunns	42-38
MILFs	38-26
Brew Crew	36-44
Old Timers	22-50
Now N Then	22-50
HVAC	20-20
High Scratch Game (Men):	
Brad Carroll, 207	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
Dave Kozma, 582	
High Scratch Game: Gail	
Johnson, 179	
High Scratch Series: Gail	
Johnson, 497	

Thursday Night

Team	W-L
The Prickly Pears	66-38
Mission Impossible	66-38
Four Seas	64-40
Pick One	64-60
Lickity Splits	60-44
PBJs	60-44
Desert Strikers	60-44
Road Runners	52-52
Ice Breakers	48-56
BM's	46-58
Cool Cs	44-60
Nice N Spicy	40-64
Pintendos	38-66
Bucks N Does	20-84
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Four Seas, 758	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
Four Seas, 2147	
High Scratch Game (Men):	
Les Claassen, 232	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
John Cook, 608	
High Scratch Game	
(Women): Arlene Cook, 192	
High Scratch Series	
(Women): Arlene Cook, 552	

Friday Nite Fun

Team	W-L
Wannabees	66-30
3 Roses & A Thorn	58-38
Double Trouble	55-41
More BS	53-43
O Spare Us	50-46
Just Us	50-46
AAFES	46-50
Kum Cantasi	45-51
The Misfits	44-52
Gutter Dusters	43-53

Just Havin Fun	42-46
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Double Trouble, 830	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
More BS, 2197	
High Scratch Game (Men):	
Ken Bettis, 255	
High Scratch Series (Men):	
Tom Lorentz, 666	
High Scratch Game	
(Women): Reda Lowe, 246	
High Scratch Series	
(Women): Chris Spieker, 718	

Bantams

Team	W-L
The Dragons	65-23
N Sync	61-27
Tigers	50-38
High Handicap Game (Team):	
Tigers, 757	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
N Sync, 664	
High Handicap Game (Boys):	
Cody Sechler, 200	
High Scratch Series (Boys):	
Jonathon Willis, 250	
High Scratch Game (Girls):	
Alicia Jones, 65	
High Scratch Series (Girls):	
Sabrina Wayman, 254	

Preps/Juniors/ Majors

Team	W-L
The Xtremes	62-26
Fox Hound	58-30
Alley Cats	52-36
Jaguars	51-37
Undertakers	47-41
Unlimited	43-45
Strikers	42-46
N Sync Fireballs	40-48
Desert Pros	40-48
Desert Strikers	38-50
The Bulldogs	34-54
Vacant	17-71
High Scratch Game (Team):	
Undertakers, 479	
High Scratch Series (Team):	
Vacant, 1467	
High Scratch Game (Boys):	
Jacob Dougan, 124 (Preps);	
Allen Ekstrom, 114 (Juniors);	
Jason Wakefield, 157	
(Majors)	
High Scratch Series (Boys):	
Tyler Johnson, 413 (Preps);	
Joshua Dougan, 379	
(Juniors); Mike CuvIELlo, 467	
(Majors)	
High Scratch Game (Girls):	
Sasha Willis, 98 (Preps);	
Kristin Wakefield, 112	
(Juniors)	
High Scratch Series (Girls):	
Rachel Ross, 336 (Preps);	
Kendra Shorter, 347 (Juniors)	

Sports Shorts

New bowling league, deal

A league beginning this month at the D-M Lanes offers bowlers a new ball, bag and pair of shoes at the end of 20 weeks. The Ball, Bag and Shoes League meets at 6 p.m. Wednesdays, starting Jan. 24 or 31 depending on enrollment. Bowlers will pay \$10 weekly. No additional payment is required for the new bowling ball, bag and pair of shoes. Sign up now at the D-M Lanes, or call 8-3461.

Best of the West

Top basketball teams will be at D-M, Jan. 12 through 15, for the Haeffner Fitness and Sports Center's 14th Annual Best of the West Classic. More than a dozen military and regional teams from Arizona, California, New Mexico and Texas will play in the holiday-weekend event. Competition begins Friday, Jan. 12, at 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday games start at 8 a.m., and the finals will be played Monday, beginning at 9 a.m. Officials meet Monday, at 5 p.m., at the Community Center. Tournament schedules will be available at that time. For further information, call Jay Junsay at the fitness center, 8-3714.

Aerobics, exercise classes

The Haeffner Fitness and Sports Center offers a lineup of exercise and aerobics classes each week (instructor name in parentheses).

Call 8-3714 for more information.

Monday - 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica/Rumiko); 12:10 to 1 p.m. - Spinner (Steve); 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Aerobics (Rumiko); 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. - Kajukenbo (Paul)

Tuesday - 8 to 9 a.m. - Senior aerobics (Corinne); 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica/Rumiko); noon to 1 p.m. - Circuit training (Corinne); 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. - Kyokushin (Joseph)

Wednesday - 10:10 to 11 a.m. - Spinner (Corinne); 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Kick boxing (Corinne); 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Belly dancing I (Basheera); 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Belly dancing II (Basheera)

Thursday - 10 to 11 a.m. - Senior aerobics (Corinne); 11:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. - Step aerobics (Veronica/Rumiko); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Training (Corinne); 5 to 6 p.m. - Step aerobics (Rumiko); 6:10 to 8:10 p.m. - Kyokushin (Joseph)

Friday - 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica); noon to 1 p.m. - Spinner (Steve); 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Kajukenbo (Paul)

Saturday - 10 to 11 a.m. - Step aerobics (Rumiko); 11 a.m. to noon - Spinner (Corinne)

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Chapel events

Protestant schedule

Today: Aim High Bible study is 7 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel annex. Call 889-1715 for more information.

Saturday: Couples' Bible study is 7 p.m. Call 749-5550 for more information.

Sunday: Contemporary Worship Service is 8:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Sunday school is 10 a.m. at Desert Dove and Hope Chapels. Traditional Worship Service is 11:15 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel annex. Inspirational Gospel Worship Service is 11:15 a.m. at Hope Chapel.

Tuesday: Ladies Bible studies is 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Singles Bible study is 7:30 p.m. in Building 3220. Bible Study for moms is 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.

Wednesday: Mid-week Bible study is noon at Desert Dove Chapel. Promise Keepers Bible study is 11:30 a.m. at the 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron conference room in Building 4810. Prayer and Teaching Time is 7 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Youth Night, for middle and high school groups, is 7 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Angel Bible study and choir for elementary groups is 7 p.m. in the Desert Dove Chapel classrooms.

Catholic schedule

Saturday: Mass is 5 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Sacrament of Reconciliation is 4 to 5 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church.

Sunday: Mass is 7:30 and 10 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Sacrament of Reconciliation is 9:15 to 9:45 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.

Monday through Friday: Rosary is 11:10 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Mass or communion service is 11:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel.

Wednesday: Rite for Christian Initiation is 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.

Islamic schedule

Today: Prayer service is noon to 2 p.m., and 6 to 8 p.m. in Building 3220 on the third floor in the educational classes. For more information about services and events happening at the chapels, go to the chapel homepage www.dm.af.mil/chapel and explore the possibilities of your faith.



On-base clubs

Officers' Club

Today: Patio Steak Night is at 5 p.m. \$50 Club Cash Coupon drawing is scheduled.

Saturday: Surf and Turf Special is 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Sunday: Sunday Brunch is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Monday: Club is closes at 2 p.m. Barber-shop is open until 5 p.m.

Tuesday: Free social hour is scheduled with chili dogs.

Wednesday: Two-for-One steaks is 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Thursday: German buffet is \$12.95.

Desert Oasis Enlisted Club

Today: \$5.35 catfish buffet is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$50 Club Cash Coupon drawing is scheduled.

Saturday: Barbershop is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. DJ plays until 2:30 a.m.

Sunday: Club is closed. Cabana is open 1 to 8 p.m.

Monday: Free party for all members is 5 p.m. Friday.

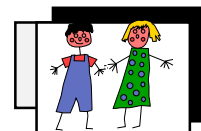
Tuesday: BBQ lunch buffet is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Two-for-One steaks is 4:30 to 8 p.m. Base Bingo starts at 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Fried chicken lunch buffet is scheduled.

Thursday: Country-style is 5 to 8:30 p.m. every Thursday.

Weekly club drawings

Every month, both D-M clubs give away hundreds of dollars in Club Cash Coupons. Anytime club members purchase anything at their club, they print their name and phone number on the sales receipt, and leave it in a special box near the cashier. A name is drawn each Friday at 7:30 p.m. The winner gets \$50 in Club Cash Coupons (the winner of the month's last Friday drawing takes home \$100). Members not present when their name is drawn get half the normal drawing amount, either \$25 or \$50. The balance is added to the next drawing. Coupons spend like cash anywhere at the club, and cannot be used in combination with any other offers, such as services bucks, gift certificates or other coupons. For more details, call the Officers' Club at 748-0660, or the Desert Oasis at 748-8666.



Youth programs

Today: Teens are going to the mall 6 to 8:30 p.m. Call the Youth Center at 8-8844.

Saturday: Parent/referee basketball clinic is 1 to 4 p.m. Call 8-8373. Preteens are going to Funtasticks 6 to 9 p.m.

Monday: Kids learn gymnastics and tumbling. Call 8-8844.

Tuesday: Preteen UNO Tourney is 6 to 7 p.m. at the Youth Center.

Wednesday: Primaries learn arts and crafts. Call 8-8844. Teen photo class is 6 to 7 p.m. at the Youth Center.

Thursday: Basketball scorekeeping clinic is 6 p.m. at the Youth Center. Call 8-8373.

Little League baseball

Little League baseball and softball registration opens Jan. 13, at the Youth Center. Ages 5 through 15 can sign up that day from 2 to 6 p.m. Proof-of-age and physical exam is needed. Younger players must be 5 years old by July 31. Another registration session is 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Jan. 27. Tryouts are next month, and practice is in March. The three-month season starts in April. Call Kathy Sands at 8-8373 for more information or stop by the Youth Center.

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Community events

Today: Biosphere under-glass tour is Jan. 27. Call Information Tickets and Tours at 8-3700

Saturday: Outdoor recreation hikes at Madera Canyon are Jan. 20. Call 8-3736.

Sunday: Skeet and trap ranges are open weekends at 8 a.m.

Monday: Youth dance classes are at the Community Center. Call 8-3717.

Tuesday: Toastmasters meet at 11:30 a.m. at library. Call 8-4385.

Wednesday: Calligraphy class is Jan. 20 and 27. Call the Skills Center at 8-4385. New Ball, Bar and Shoe League is at D-M Lanes. Call 8-3461.

Thursday: Best of the West is this weekend at fitness center. Call 8-3714.

Calligraphy class

A two-part Skills Center calligraphy class meets noon to 2 p.m. Jan. 20 and 27. Students pay \$20 for the course. The only supplies needed are a calligraphy pen and notepad, which can be purchased at the Skills Center for less than \$10. Visit Building 4531 to enroll, or call 8-4385. The facility is open Tuesdays through Saturdays.

Hiking trip

Sign up soon for a Jan. 20 hike through Madera Canyon, south of Tucson, in the Santa Rita Mountains. The six-mile trek is suitable for all ages. Bring lunch, water and a camera. Ride up and back for \$10. Contact the outdoor recreation center at 8-3736.

Shop Nogales

Join Information, Tickets and Tours for a Jan. 13 trip to Nogales, for shopping and sightseeing. Visitors spend more than three hours in the city's mile-square retail district,

with its hundreds of large and small stores and shops. Transportation costs \$10 a person. Get details or reservations at ITT, 8-3700.



Family support

Tuesday: Right Start is 8 a.m. to noon at the community center, Building 4201. Baby Basics is scheduled from noon to 2 p.m. at the community center. Time for Tots is 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.

Thursday: The Lieutenants' briefing is 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Family Support Center, Building. 3210.

Transition Assistance Seminar

A three-day Transition Assistance Seminar is held monthly, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The next seminar will be Jan. 17 through 19. The seminar is a joint venture of the Department of Labor, Department of Veteran's Affairs and Department of Defense. All military members and their spouses within 180 days of separation or retirement are eligible to attend. Subject areas covered include job search techniques, interview techniques, civilian dress, and veteran's benefits. Its primary focus is on preparing departing service members to conduct an effective job search in the civilian marketplace. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Reservations must be made for member and spouse as space is limited. If for some reason you cannot attend, call and cancel the reservation so others can attend. Call the FSC at 8-5690 for reservations.

Volunteers needed on base

Volunteers are needed at the base clinic, Airman's Attic, Retiree Activities Office, Borman and Smith Elementary Schools, Family Services, Thrift Shop, Youth Services, and the Girl Scouts. Call Clay Moore at 8-6042 for more information.

Volunteers needed at San Xavier

San Xavier Mission School needs volunteers to help students in basic math, reading and computer skills. The next visit to the school will be Jan. 19. Volunteers will meet in the Military Personnel Flight lobby at 11 a.m. on this date. For more information, contact Rico Triana at 8-3891.

Tutors needed

Roberts Elementary School is looking for tutors to help its students with basic skills as well as volunteers to read to the students. Roberts is located near Swan and 22nd. Interested individuals should contact Clayton Moore at 8-6042.

Bootcamp instructors needed

DMAFB Operation Leadership Bootcamp is looking for instructors. OLB is a program designed to assist at-risk middle school students to establish discipline and self-worth. The program includes military drill and ceremony, instruction in coping skills, and overall assisting youth to become productive members of society. The program is currently at three different Tucson Middle Schools, with others requesting similar assistance. To become an instructor, call Staff Sgt. Samuel Jones at 8-1769.

Right Start program

Right Start is a base introductory program sponsored by the Family Support Center, which is designed to welcome all newcomers, military, DoD civilians, and their spouses. D-M's senior leadership speak about the variety of programs available at D-M focusing on quality of life and work issues. Sign up to attend by calling the Military Personnel Flight, INTRO Office at 8-3076/4478. Right Start will be conducted 8 a.m. to noon every Tuesday of each month at the Community Center.

Advertising

Give Parents a Break

The next "Give Parents a Break" program is scheduled for 2 to 6 p.m. Jan. 27. This program offers free childcare to active-duty Air Force parents who need a break from the stresses of parenting for a few hours. Families who are eligible for this program include those where a parent is feeling stress due to military member being deployed, recently moving to base or unique circumstances or hardships. For more information or a referral, call 8-5690.

Baby basics

The next baby basics program for expectant mothers in their third trimester is noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday at the community center, Building 4201. Pat Boyd, registered nurse, presents this session. Boyd will provide information on basic infant care, growth and development. For questions or to sign up, call 8-5690.

Air Force Aid Education Grant

The Air Force Aid Society's General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant can help with money for college. This grant provides \$1,500 to eligible spouses and dependents. The closing date is March 15. Applications can be picked up at the FSC 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information contact the FSC at 8-5690.

Resume/interview workshop

The family support center conducts a resume writing workshop 8 to 10 a.m. Tuesday. After learning how to write a quality resume, attend the interview workshop 8 to 11 a.m. Jan. 16 to help prepare for the job interview. Both workshops are held in the community center. For more information or reservations, contact the FSC at 8-5690.



Education services

Chief Kennedy scholarship

D-M Chiefs Group awards monetary scholarships each semester in memory of Chief Master Sgt. Wanda L. Kennedy. Eligibility requirements are a person must be an Air Force enlisted member (active-duty, Reserves, and Air national Guards stationed at D-M or associate units) and currently attending a regionally accredited college or university. Applications are available at the base education center office, Room 262, Building 3200. Submission deadlines are Feb. 26 for the March 19 through May 12 term; May 7 for the May 29 through 21 July term; July 16 for the Aug. 6 through Sept. 29 term; and Sept. 24 for the Oct. 15 through Dec. 8 term. For more information, call 8-3812.

D-M Chiefs Group scholarships

The D-M Chiefs Group awards monetary scholarships to pay for course tuition costs not

covered by the Air Force tuition assistance programs for the following schools: Chapman University, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Park University, Troy State University and University of Phoenix. Eligibility requirements are: AF active-duty enlisted member, first-time attendance in particular college, currently stationed at D-M, and eligible for tuition assistance program. Process and deadlines are the same as the Chief Master Sgt. Wanda L. Kennedy Scholarship. Call the Education Center at 8-4813 or 3813 for more information.

University of Arizona

Judy Seger will provide academic counseling for students interested in attending the University of Arizona from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Monday in Building 3200, Room 262. Call Seger at 626-8201 between 2 and 7 p.m. for an appointment.

Scanner malfunction

Until further notice, the base education testing center will not be able to scan CLEP or DANTES tests for unofficial results. Direct any questions to Phil King at 8-4249.

Test Center time changes

Starting this month regular testing is scheduled in Building 3200 in Room 265 at 1 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 8 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call Phil King at 8-4249 for more information.



Other agencies

Estate claim announcement

Any person or persons having claims for or against the estate of Tech. Sgt. Kevin Snyder, 287-66-6877, deceased, assigned to 355th Logistics Support Squadron, should contact the Summary Court Officer, 2nd Lt. Tiffany Feet, at 8-1230.

Enlisted Spouses Association

The next meeting will be held 6:15 p.m. Jan. 16 at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club in the Monte's Room with a social to follow. The social will consist of a "white elephant" auction. Call Dena Wakefield 747-3461 for more information.

Full-time students wanted

Need money for college or technical experience? Join the Massachusetts Air National Guard and attend school 100-percent free. The 104th Fighter Wing, Barnes ANG Base has several openings in a variety of different career fields. Representatives will be available 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 23 in Building 3200, Room 6 to answer any questions about Team Barnes and the Massachusetts Air National Guard. Call 1-800-AIR-9151 or contact Staff Sgt. Andrea Huxtable or Master Sgt. Deborah

Shilaikis at DSN 636-9567 or email deborah.shilaikis@mabarn.af.mil more information.

Couples class

Family advocacy is offering a Relationship Enhancement Class for couples. As this is a prevention activity, no family advocacy or mental health record will be opened and there will be no entries in participant's medical records. This will be a psycho-educational program, designed to teach couples skills to strengthen communication, facilitate problem solving and conflict resolution, and manage anger. Those class participants experiencing difficulties that could place them at risk of having a maltreatment incident can be seen for one to four couples counseling sessions. Those needing marital therapy will need to continue to utilize off base resources. Contact Nancy Williams at 8-2104, to schedule an intake appointment.

Entertainment book

The new Entertainment book is on sale now at Information, Tickets & Tours. Two-for-one coupons are good at hundreds of local restaurants and fast-food locations, and other coupons offer discounts on travel, hotels, car rentals and other goods and services. Entertainment 2001 books cost \$35 and are valid through Nov. 1. Buy one at ITT, in Building 4430, or call 8-3700.

Christmas tree recycling

Recycle Christmas trees at the base recycle center at the corner of Yuma and Casa Grande Streets. Since the trees are used for composting purposes, all decorations, especially tinsel, must be removed prior to dropping it off at the center. The program will run from now through Jan. 15. Call Joe Uremovich, center manager, at 8-2296 for more information.

Vehicle registration/base decals

After Jan. 30, vehicles that still have a '00 decal will not be allowed access to the installation. Vehicles can be re-registered at Pass and Registration in Building 3200, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and at the Visitor Center on Craycroft Road adjacent the Main Gate, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please bring ID card, drivers license, registration, proof of insurance and current decal number when registering vehicles. Call Pass and Registration at extension 8-3224 if you have any questions.



Movie theater

Today: Little Nicky, (PG-13), 7 p.m.
Saturday: Charlie's Angels, (PG-13), 7 p.m.
Sunday: The Legend of Drunken Master, (R), 7 p.m.
Jan. 12: Rugrats in Paris, (G), 7 p.m.
Jan. 13: Rugrats in Paris, (G), 7 p.m.
Jan. 14: Men of Honor, (R), 7 p.m.